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 DRV: HOC TAP DISCUSSES NEW REVOLUTIONARY STATE IN SOUTH

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(ARTICLE BY TRUONG CHI CUONG: "THE NEW STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION"--PASSAGES PRINTED IN BOLDFACE TYPE ENCLOSED IN SLANTLINES)

(TEXT) AFTER 2 YEARS OF RESOLUTE STRUGGLE TO FIRMLY MAINTAIN PEACE AND SCRUPULOUSLY IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT, THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE HAVE ACHIEVED IMPORTANT AND CONCRETE SUCCESSSES, PARTICULARLY SINCE EARLY 1974.

THE SUCCESSSES OF THE SOUTHERN PEOPLE IN COUNTERING THE ENEMY'S NIBBLING AND "PACIFICATION" OPERATIONS AND THE STRUGGLE MOVEMENT OF THE PEOPLE IN THE SOUTHERN CITIES IN RECENT MONTHS MARK THE BANKRUPTCY OF THE NEW U.S. STRATEGY AND THE NEW STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION.

ONE OF THE BASIC FEATURES OF THE PRESENT REVOLUTIONARY SITUATION IN THE SOUTH IS THAT THE SOUTHERN ARMED FORCES AND PEOPLE HAVE DEFEATED TO AN IMPORTANT EXTENT THE NIBBLING AND "PACIFICATION" POLICY, A KEY MEASURE IN THE NEW U.S. STRATEGY.

THE NGUYEN VAN THIEU CLIQUE, CONSIDERING ITS NIBBLING AND "PACIFICATION" POLICY A MAJOR STRATEGIC POLICY SIGNIFICANT FOR REGIME SURVIVAL IN A SITUATION WHERE THE UNITED STATES WAS FORCED TO WITHDRAW ITS TROOPS, HAS DEPLOYED TO THE GREATEST DEGREE ITS MILITARY, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC FORCES AND RESORTED TO THE MOST CRUEL, CRAFTY AND SOPHISTICATED OFFENSIVE MANEUVERS TO IMPLEMENT THIS POLICY.

FIRST OF ALL, THE U.S.-THIEU CLIQUE HAS SCHEMED TO OBLITERATE THE "LEOPARD SKIN" STATUS OF THE SOUTHERN BATTLEFIELD, DELINEATE AREAS, DRIVE BACK THE LIBERATION ARMED FORCES, OCCUPY LAND, WIN OVER THE PEOPLE, AND NARROW AND PARALYZE THE LIBERATED AREAS OF THE PROGRESS. THE U.S.-THIEU CLIQUE HAS REPEATEDLY LAUNCHED WITH PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE AND ESPIONAGE WARFARE ACTIVITIES TO CARRY OUT ITS PEOPLE-SETTLING AND HAMLET-BUILDING PLAN IN ORDER TO NIBBLE AT AND SABOTAGE THE LIBERATED AREAS.

IN ADDITION TO LAUNCHING NIBBLING OPERATIONS, THE U.S.-THIEU CLIQUE HAS CONCENTRATED ON FIERCELY "PACIFYING" THE AREAS UNDER ITS TEMPORARY CONTROL. THIS CLIQUE HAS INCREASED THE NUMBER OF OFFICERS AND CIVIL SERVANTS IN VILLAGES AND HAMLETS, ESTABLISHED SUBDISTRICT MILITARY SECTORS IN ORDER TO UNIFY AND REINFORCE ITS COERCIVE SYSTEM AT THE BASIC LEVEL, COMBINED THE REPRESSION OF THE MASSES WITH THE USE OF PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE AND ESPIONAGE WARFARE TRICKS, SOWN SUSPICION AND DIVISION AMONG THE PEOPLE, AND SOUGHT TO ISOLATE AND "DESTROY THE INFRASTRUCTURE" OF THE REVOLUTION. No Objection to Declassification in Full 2010/06/10 : LOC-HAK-244-8-9-3

IN ADDITION TO REGRESSING POLITICAL MATTERS, THE THIEU CLIQUE HAS CONCENTRATED ON PRESSURING THE PEOPLE, UPGRADEING PARAMILITARY FORCES TO REGULAR FORCES, INCRASING TAXES, AND GRABBING RICE IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN ITS MILITARY FORCES AND SOLVE ITS ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES.

THE U.S.-THIEU CLIQUE HAS NURTURED THE AMBITIOUS DESIGN OF USING ITS STRENGTH TO EXERT GREAT EFFORTS TO OBLITERATE ALL OF THE LIBERATED ENCLAVES IN THE SOUTH AND TO ACHIEVE A GREAT PART OF ITS NIBBLING AND "PACIFICATION" POLICY. WHILE THE PRGRSV IS DETERMINED TO FIRMLY MAINTAIN PEACE AND SCRUPULOUSLY IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT, NGUYEN VAN THIEU HAS AGGRESSIVELY SHOUTED FOR WAR AND DEPLOYED TROOPS TO CARRY OUT HIS SCHEMES TO SABOTAGE PEACE AND THE PARIS AGREEMENT.

HOWEVER, THE SITUATION HAS DEVELOPED AT UTTER VARIANCE WITH THE EXPECTATIONS OF THE U.S.-THIEU CLIQUE. THE CRIMINAL ACTS OF THE THIEU CLIQUE HAVE EXPOSED ITS WARLIKE FACE AND ITS DESIGN TO SABOTAGE PEACE TO PUBLIC OPINION AT HOME AND ABROAD AND HAVE MADE THE SOUTHERN PEOPLE EXTREMELY INDIGNANT.

DETERMINED TO PUNISH NGUYEN VAN THIEU FOR HIS CRIMES OF SABOTAGING PEACE AND VIOLATING THE PARIS AGREEMENT, THE SOUTHERN ARMED FORCES AND PEOPLE HAVE DEALT THE NIBBLERS POWERFUL OFFENSIVE AND COUNTEROFFENSIVE BLOWS FROM THE OUTSET, PARTICULARLY SINCE AUGUST 1973.

SINCE EARLY IN 1974, THE OFFENSIVE POSITION OF THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION HAS SHIFTED TO A NEW STAGE, GRADUALLY DRIVING THE SAIGON ARMY INTO A PASSIVE, DEFENSIVE POSITION AND FRUSTRATING AND REPELLING TO A GREAT EXTENT THE NIBBLING AND "PACIFICATION" POLICY OF THE NGUYEN VAN THIEU CLIQUE.

/THE STRIKING FEATURE OF THE SITUATION IN THE RECENT PAST IS THAT THE SOUTHERN ARMED FORCES AND PEOPLE HAVE EXPANDED THEIR RELENTLESS, STRONG, WIDESPREAD OFFENSIVE POSITION, WON GREAT VICTORIES IN THE DRY SEASON AS WELL AS IN THE RAINY SEASON--WITH MANY LOCALITIES WINNING GREATER VICTORIES IN THE RAINY SEASON THAN IN THE DRY SEASON--AND HAVE COMPLETELY GAINED THE INITIATIVE ON THE BATTLEFIELD, THUS FORCING THE SAIGON ARMY TO SHIFT TO A PASSIVE, DEFENSIVE POSITION./

SINCE JULY 1974, THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PUPPET ARMY HAVE BEEN CONCENTRATED MAINLY ON BLOCKING THE OFFENSIVE OF THE LIBERATION ARMED FORCES AND CLEARING THE AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN REOCCUPIED BY THE LIBERATION ARMY FORCES. HOWEVER, EVEN IN THESE ACTIVITIES, THE PUPPET ARMY HAS ALSO BEEN BOGGED DOWN, DEFEATED AND ITS WEAKNESSES EXPOSED. THE NIBBLING OPERATIONS OF THE PUPPET ARMY AND ITS CAPABILITIES OF REOCCUPYING LAND HAVE MARKEDLY DECREASED. IF IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1974 THE PUPPET ARMY HAD BEEN ABLE OF REOCCUPYING 50 PERCENT OF THE NUMBER OF POSTS OBTAINED BY THE LIBERATION ARMED FORCES, IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1974 IT WAS ONLY CAPABLE OF REOCCUPYING 30 PERCENT OF THESE POSTS. (FOOTNOTES GRANGER 19/1-953Z MAR 75)

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(TEXT) THE REGULAR LIBERATION ARMED FORCES HAVENOT ONLY BLOCKED THE ENEMY'S NIBBLING OPERATIONS, BUT HAVE ALSO LAUNCHED DEEP, VICIOUS ATTACKS ON ITS STAGING AREAS FOR NIBBLING OPERATIONS, DESTROYING MANY MORE DISTRICT MILITARY SECTORS AND DISTRICT CAPITALS, SUCH AS THUONG DUC, MINH LONG, MANG DEN, MANG BUT, DUC PHONG, BO DUC, DONGNXCAL, PHUOC BINH, TANH LINH, HUNG LONG AND SO FORTH, PUTTING OUT OF ACTION MANY SEASONED UNITS OF THE PUPPET REGULAR FORCES AND RECOVERING MANY VAST AREAS OF IMPORTANT STRATEGIC SIGNIFICANCE.

WHILE THE REGULAR LIBERATION ARMED FORCES HAVE DRIVEN THE PUPPET REGULAR FORCES INTO A CONFUSED, PASSIVE RESISTANCE ON VITAL BATTLEFIELDS, THE PEOPLE IN MANY DELTA AREAS OF THE 9TH, 5TH, AND 8TH REGIONS HAVE PROMPTLY LAUNCHED THREE-PRONGED OFFENSIVES TO DESTROY OR FORCE THE ABANDONMENT OF MANY ENEMY POSTS, HAVE ARISEN TO GAIN MASTERSHIP OVER VILLAGES AND HAMLETS, AND RESTORED AND EXPANDED THE LIBERATED AREAS IN THE DELTAS, INCLUDING SOME LIBERATED AREAS ADJOINING CITIES AND IMPORTANT COMMUNICATION LINES.

IN 1974, THE SOUTHERN ARMED FORCES AND PEOPLE DESTROYED OR FORCED THE SURRENDER OR ABANDONMENT OF 4,500 POSTS--THIS WAS THE GREATEST NUMBER OF POSTS DESTROYED IN ONE YEAR SINCE 1968 AND NEARLY EQUALED ONE-HALF OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF POSTS OF THE PUPPET ARMY IN THE SOUTH--COMPLETELY ANNIHILATED 139 BATTALIONS AND 415 COMPANIES, PUT NEARLY 250,000 ENEMY TROOPS OUT OF ACTION, WON OVER AN ADDITIONAL 1.22 MILLION PEOPLE, AND RESTORED, EXPANDED AND IMPROVED MANY ADDITIONAL LIBERATION ZONES, WITH ONE LIBERATED ZONE ENCOMPASSING 22 DISTRICTS AND LINKING EIGHT PROVINCES.

THE RESOUNDINGREVOLUTIONARY SUCCESSES IN THE LIBERATED AREAS AND THE MASSES' EXTREME POVERTY, WHICH WAS CAUSED BY THIEU'S WARLIKE, REPRESSIVE, EXPLOITATIVE POLICY, HAVE MOTIVATED THE PEOPLE IN AREAS UNDER THE SAIGON ADMINISTRATION'S TEMPORARY CONTROL TO PROCEED POSITIVELY ALONG THE REVOLUTIONARY LINE. WHAT IS NOTEWORTHY IS THE FAIRLY RAPID CHANGE IN THE AREAS INHABITED BY RELIGIOUS PEOPLE, ETHNIC MINORITIES AND THE AREAS INTO WHICH PEOPLE HAVE BEEN FORCED TO MOVE THEIR RESIDENCES AND TO RESETTLE. THERE, THE MASSES' STRUGGLE MOVEMENT AGAINST PRESSGANGING, REPRESSION, EXPLOITATION AND SO FORTH HAS INCREASINGLY DEVELOPED, THIS ~~NOT ONLY~~ REDUCING THE SAIGON ADMINISTRATION'S CAPABILITIES OF REPLENISHING ITS ARMY AND ITS ECONOMIC POTENTIAL. ALTHOUGH THE SAIGON ADMINISTRATION HAS CONCENTRATED EVERY EFFORT ON CONSOLIDATING ITS COERCIVE APPARATUS IN VILLAGES AND HAMLETS IN THE AREAS UNDER ITS TEMPORARY CONTROL, THE COERCIVE EFFECT IS BEING WE

IN SHORT No Objection to Declassification in Full 2010/06/10 : LOC-HAK-244-8-9-3 F'S
NIBBLING AND "PACIFICATION" POLICY CANNOT BE ACHIEVED. THE
SOUTHERN PEOPLE HAVE ACHIEVED A VERY IMPORTANT NEW SUCCESS IN
SMASHING THIS POLICY.

THIS GREAT SUCCESS PROVES THAT THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY
GOVERNMENT'S POLICY AND GUIDANCE IN COUNTERING THE ENEMY IN ITS
NIBBLING AND "PACIFICATION" OPERATIONS ARE TIMELY AND CORRECT
AND THAT THE SOUTHERN PEOPLE, WHO HAVE TRULY ACQUIRED EXPERIENCE
IN STRUGGLING AGAINST AND ATTACKING THE ENEMY, HAVE ATTACKED
AND COUNTERATTACKED THE ENEMY RELENTLESSLY AND VIGOROUSLY AND IN
THE RIGHT DIRECTION AND HAVE ALSO BEEN EQUIPPED WITH A GREAT
DETERMINATION TO SMASH ENEMY SCHEMES. THIS SUCCESS ALSO CLEARLY
INDICATES THAT THE U.S.-THIU CLIQUE'S NIBBLING AND "PACIFICATION"
POLICY IS ONE STUDDED WITH CONTRADICTIONS AND CRIMES AND HAS BEEN
HATED AND FIERCELY COUNTERED BY THE SOUTHERN PEOPLE OF ALL WALKS
OF LIFE. THIS POLICY WILL CERTAINLY BE INEVITABLY AND COMPLETELY
FRUSTRATED.

THE FAILURE OF THE U.S.-THIU CLIQUE AND THE SUCCESS OF THE
SOUTHERN ARMED FORCES AND PEOPLE IN THE RECENT, FIERCE NIBBLING
AND PACIFICATION AND ANTI-NIBBLING AND "ANTI-PACIFICATION"
PROCESS /NOT ONLY REFLECT THE BALANCE OF POSITION AND FORCE
BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES IN SOUTH VIETNAM, BUT HAVE ALSO MADE
THIS BALANCE DEVELOP FURTHER AND VIGOROUSLY IN FAVOR OF THE REVOLUTION/.

THE FAILURE OF THE SAIGON REGIME IN IMPLEMENTING ITS NIBBLING
AND "PACIFICATION" POLICY, PLUS ITS MULTI-FACETED DIFFICULTIES,
HAVE DRIVEN THE PUPPET ARMY INTO A FURTHER AND RAPIDLY WEAKENING
SITUATION.

WHAT IS NOTEWORTHY IS THAT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PUPPET TROOPS
HAS BEGUN TO DECREASE AND WILL RAPIDLY DECREASE. ALTHOUGH THE
SAIGON ADMINISTRATION HAS SOUGHT EVERY MEANS TO PRESSGANG PEOPLE
AND UPGRADE ITS PARAMILITARY FORCE TO REGULAR FORCES, IT CAN IN
NO WAY COMPENSATE FOR THE LOSSES SUFFERED BY ITS TROOPS WHO HAVE
BEEN KILLED IN ACTION, WOUNDED OR WHO HAVE DESERTED. THIS CAN BE
VERY EASILY UNDERSTOOD BECAUSE WHILE THE NUMBER OF PUPPET TROOPS
THAT HAS BEEN KILLED, WOUNDED OR DESERTED IS VERY GREAT, THE
SOURCE OF TROOP REPLENISHMENT IS BEING RAPIDLY NARROWED. THERE
REMAIN ONLY 100 OR 150 OR, AT THE MOST, 200 MEN IN MANY BATTALIONS,
PARTICULARLY IN THE CIVIL GUARD BATTALIONS, LET ALONE THOSE UNITS
WHERE TROOPS EXIST ONLY ON PAPER. IN MANY AREAS, TO COMPENSATE
FOR LOSSES SUFFERED BY REGULAR FORCES, THE THIU CLIQUE HAS
BEEN FORCED TO DEACTIVATE CIVIL GUARD OR PEOPLE'S SELF-DEFENSE
COMPANIES ONE AFTER ANOTHER. HOWEVER, THIS HAS RESULTED IN THE
FORCES OF THE THIU CLIQUE BEING SPREAD THINLY AND ITS COMBAT
POSITIONS WEAKENED. (MORE) GRANGER 19/2024Z MAR
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XXX COMBAT POSITIONS WEAKENED.

(TEXT) THE FIGHTING SPIRIT OF THE PUPPET TROOPS HAS RECENTLY DECLINED RAPIDLY. IN RECENT BATTLES IN DISTRICT MILITARY SECTORS AND DISTRICT CAPITALS, ALTHOUGH THE PUPPET TROOPS WERE PROTECTED BY FAIRLY STRONG FORTIFICATIONS BUILT YEARS AGO, THEIR RESISTANCE WAS VERY WEAK. IN MANY STRONGHOLD COMPLEXES, THE TROOPS OF THE MOST AGGRESSIVE AND DIEHARD PUPPET UNITS COULD NOT RESIST MORE THAN ONE DAY. IN THE DENSELY-POPULATED DELTA AREAS, SITUATIONS WHERE CIVIL GUARD AND SELF-DEFENSE FOCUMS HAVE ABANDONED POSTS BY THE BATCH AND FLED HAVE BECOME COMMONPLACE. ON AN AVERAGE, WHEN ONE PUPPET POST IS ATTACKED, TWO OTHER POSTS HAVE BEEN ABANDONED. IT IS WORTH NOTING THAT IN THE RECENT PAST THE NUMBER OF PUPPET OFFICERS AND TROOPS CAPTURED HAS BEEN VERY HIGH, AND THE NUMBERS OF DESERTERS AND ANTIWAR CASES HAVE BEEN GREATER THAN IN ANY OTHER PERIOD SINCE 1965.

THE INTENSITY OF FIREPOWER AND THE AMOUNT OF MOBILE EQUIPMENT OF THE PUPPET TROOPS HAVE DECREASED MARKEDLY. IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1974, THE MONTHLY NUMBER OF ARTILLERY ROUNDS FIRED BY THE PUPPET TROOPS DECREASED BY APPROXIMATELY THREE-FOURTHS COMPARED WITH THE MONTHLY NUMBER IN 1973. THE NUMBER OF DAILY TACTICAL SORTIES OF THE PUPPET AIR FORCE ONLY EQUALED APPROXIMATELY ONE-HALF OF THE DAILY SORTIES MADE IN 1973 AND EQUALED APPROXIMATELY ONE-FIFTH OF THOSE CONDUCTED IN 1972. THE PRESENT NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT IN THE SOUTH, COMPARED WITH THE GREATEST NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT ON HAND IN THE PERIOD OF THE LIMITED WAR, HAS DECREASED BY 70 PERCENT, WITH THE NUMBER OF HELICOPTERS DECREASING BY 80 PERCENT. THIS SITUATION INDICATES THAT THE BOMB AND AMMUNITION RESERVES OF THE PUPPET TROOPS HAVE DECREASED AND THAT THEY ARE ENCOUNTERING GREAT DIFFICULTIES IN FUEL AND IN THE MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND USE OF VARIOUS TYPES OF AIRCRAFT, TANKS, COMBAT VESSELS AND HEAVY WEAP. No Objection to Declassification in Full 2010/06/10 : LOC-HAK-244-8-9-3

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NIBBLING OPERATIONS WHILE ITS FORCES ARE LIMITED AND THE LIBERATION
TROOPS ARE ATTACKING AND COUNTERATTACKING RELENTLESSLY AND EVERYWHERE,
THE PUPPET ARMY IS BEING DRIVEN INTO A SITUATION FRAUGHT WITH
ACUTE CONTRADICTIONS BETWEEN CONCENTRATION AND DISPERSION AND
BETWEEN CONDUCTING NIBBLING OPERATIONS AND DEFENSIVE OPERATIONS
WITHIN THE SCOPE OF ITS STRATEGY. THE PUPPET ARMY HAS BEEN
REPEATEDLY DEFEATED AND IS FACING THE DANGER OF AN EVEN HEAVIER
DEFEAT AND MORE RAPID DECLINE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES OF A PROLONGED WAR, THE FORCED WITHDRAWAL
OF THE U.S. ARMED FORCES AS A RESULT OF THEIR DEFEAT, THE INABILITY
OF THE UNITED STATES TO CONTINUE ITS MILITARY AND ECONOMIC AID
AS IT DID PREVIOUSLY BECAUSE OF ITS DIFFICULTIES, THE CONTINUOUS
FAILURE OF THE NIBBLING AND "PACIFICATION" POLICY, AND SO FORTH,
ALL THIS HAS DRIVEN THE AREAS CONTROLLED BY THE SAIGON ADMINISTRATION
INTO AN UNPRECEDENTED, TRAGIC SITUATION. AGRICULTURE HAS NOT
DEVELOPED, INDUSTRY HAS DETERIORATED, TRADE HAS BEEN STALEMATED,
FINANCE HAS BECOME CONFUSED, AND SO FORTH. COMPARED WITH 1973,
BUSINESS FAILURES REACHED 50 PERCENT AND REMAINING ENTERPRISES
ARE OPERATING AT LOW LEVELS, AT RATES OF JUST 30 TO 50 PERCENT.
INFLATION INCREASED BY 65 PERCENT IN 1973 AND 114 PERCENT IN
1974, THE PIASTER WAS DEVALUED 17 TIMES, AND PRICES INCREASED
FROM 50 TO 300 PERCENT WITHIN 20 MONTHS. ALL THESE INCURABLE
MALADIES HAVE CAUSED THE ECONOMY OF THE SAIGON REGIME TO DECLINE
RAPIDLY AND DRIVEN THE PEOPLE IN THE AREAS CONTROLLED BY THE
SAIGON ADMINISTRATION INTO A MISERABLE, HOPELESS SITUATION.

THE SOCIAL SITUATION IS EXTREMELY CONFUSED. MORE THAN 3.5
MILLION PEOPLE ARE NOW UNEMPLOYED, 70 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION
HAVE NOT HAD ENOUGH FOOD TO EAT SINCE SEPTEMBER 1974, AND 50
PERCENT OF THE STUDENTS ARE DROP-OUTS BECAUSE OF THE FOOD SHORTAGE.
HUNDREDS OF SUICIDE CASES, MANY CAUSED BY BITTER STARVATION,
ARE OCCURRING MONTHLY; BEGGARS ARE SEEN EVERYWHERE. ALL THESE
EVILS ARE CAUSING THE FURTHER DECAY AND DECLINE OF THE SAIGON
REGIME.

THE POLITICAL STATUS OF THE SAIGON REGIME HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY
ROTTEN. IN CONTINUING TO SERVE AS A TOOL TO IMPLEMENT THE U.S.
NEOCOLONIALIST POLICY, PROLONG THE WAR, SABOTAGE THE PARIS AGREEMENT,
AND TRAMPLE ON HUMAN DEMOCRATIC LIBERTIES AND DIGNITY, NGUYEN
VAN THIEU AND HIS CLIQUE HAVE BEEN ISOLATED MORE THAN EVER INSIDE
AND OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY. HE NO LONGER HAS ANY POLITICAL BASE,
AND EVEN THE PEOPLE WHO PREVIOUSLY SUPPORTED HIM ARE NOW TURNING
THEIR BACKS ON HIM AND, EVEN WORSE, ARE RALLYING FORCES TO OPPOSE
HIM. DISSATISFACTION IS ALSO SPREADING IN THE PUPPET ARMY, AND
THERE ARE MORE AND MORE OFFICERS AND TROOPS OPPOSING THIEU.
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 XXX BEING DEVELOPED VIGOROUSLY.

(TEXT) IT IS NECESSARY TO ADD THAT THE RAPID AND UNSTEADFAST DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOCIALIST NORTH, THE STRONG GROWTH OF THE LAO AND CAMBODIAN REVOLUTIONS, AND THE NEW SUCCESSES OF THE REVOLUTIONARY AND NATIONAL LIBERATION CURRENT IN MANY COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD ARE GREATLY INFLUENCING THE STRONG GROWTH OF THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION.

/OBVIOUSLY, THE COMPREHENSIVE FORCES OF THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION ARE STRONGER THAN IN ANY PREVIOUS PERIOD, THE MILITARY AND POLITICAL POSITION OF THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION IS FIRMER THAN EVER, AND ITS INTERNATIONAL ADVANTAGE IS DEVELOPING. ALL THIS IS OF DECISIVE SIGNIFICANCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ENTIRE SOUTHERN SITUATION IN THE DAYS AHEAD./

THE WHOLE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS SITUATION WILL LEAD TO DISTURBANCES IN THE SOUTHERN CITIES, THE LAST FORTRESSES OF THE NGUYEN VAN THIEU CLIQUE, AND IN THE AREAS THAT REFLECT THE PRESENT ACUTE CONTRADICTIONS IN THE SAIGON REGIME IN A CONCENTRATED MANNER. THE SEETHING SITUATION IN THE SOUTHERN CITIES IN RECENT MONTHS HAS PROVEN THIS. THE THIEU REGIME HAS DRIVEN THE PEOPLE IN THE AREA UNDER ITS CONTROL INTO A SITUATION IN WHICH THEY ARE FORCED TO TAKE ACTION.

IT IS NOT ACCIDENTAL THAT THE PRESENT STRUGGLE MOVEMENTS IN THE SOUTHERN CITIES ARE DAUBED WITH ALL TYPES OF POLITICAL HUES, ENCOMPASS MANY RELIGIONS AND FACTIONS, AND ATTRACT THE MASSIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE PEOPLE OF ALL WALKS OF LIFE, FROM WORKERS, LABORING PEOPLE, AND UNIVERSITY AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO VARIOUS INTELLECTUAL CIRCLES, SUCH AS NEWSMEN, LAWYERS, WRITERS, AND MANY PEOPLE IN THIEU'S "NATIONAL ASSEMBLY," ADMINISTRATION AND ARMY. VARIOUS RELIGIONS AND FACTIONS, WHICH HAVE SUPPORTED THIEU SO FAR, ARE NOW OPPOSING HIM AND HIS CLIQUE.

IT IS WORTH NOTING THAT FROM THE VERY OUTSET, THE STRUGGLE MOVEMENTS HAVE SHOUTED POLITICAL SLOGANS, AND THEIR SLOGANS OF STRUGGLE FOR THEIR VITAL RIGHTS TO A DECENT LIFE AND DEMOCRACY HAVE BEEN LINKED TO THEIR DEMAND FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND THE ACHIEVEMENT OF PEACE AND NATIONAL CONCORD. THESE SLOGANS HAVE ALSO BEEN GRADUALLY UPHELD SO AS TO BE CONSISTENT WITH EACH STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE STRUGGLE MOVEMENTS. /WHAT IS IMPRESSIVE IS THAT FROM THE OUTSET THESE MOVEMENTS HAVE CENTERED AROUND THE SLOGAN DEMANDING THE OVERTHROW OF THIEU AND THE SETTING UP IN SAIGON OF A GOVERNMENT THAT AGREES TO IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT./

THE FAIRLY INSPIRING FORMS OF STRUGGLE IN THE SOUTHERN CITIES AT PRESENT ARE NOT ONLY HIGHLY CREATIVE, BUT ALSO REFLECT THE IMPETUS OF STRUGGLE OF THE SOUTHERN URBANITES OF ALL WALKS OF LIFE AND THE INTENSE NATURE OF THESE MOVEMENTS. ALTHOUGH THE NGUYEN VAN THIEU CLIQUE HAS DEPLOYED TENS OF THOUSANDS OF POLICEMEN AND SECRET AGENTS TO SEEK EVERY MEANS TO LIMIT AND QUELL THESE MOVEMENTS, THESE MOVEMENTS, FROM HOLDING SEMINARS AND MEETINGS, HAVE REACHED THE POINT OF BURNING NEWSPAPERS, STAGING DEMONSTRATIONS WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF THE MAJORITY OF THE MASSES ON THE STREETS, OPENLY CHALLENGING THE THIEU ADMINISTRATION, AND FIERCELY COUNTERING THE REPRESSIVE POLICEMEN AND SECRET AGENTS.

MANY ADDITIONAL STRUGGLE FRONTS AND COMMITTEES AND MANY NEW OPPOSITION FORCES INVOLVING VARIOUS CIRCLES AND THE PEOPLE OF ALL WALKS OF LIFE HAVE NOW MADE THEIR APPEARANCE, ATTRACTING THE PARTICIPATION OF HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE. THESE ORGANIZATIONS ARE DEVELOPING IN ALMOST ALL THE SOUTHERN PROVINCES DOWN TO THE BASIC LEVEL, THUS EXPANDING THESE MOVEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH WITH AN INCREASINGLY HIGHER QUALITY. COMRADE LE DUAN HAS SAID: /THE WHOLE TASK OF MOTIVATING AND GATHERING THE REVOLUTIONARY FORCES IS ULTIMATELY ORGANIZATION, ORGANIZATION, AND ORGANIZATION. THEREFORE, ONCE THE MASS MOVEMENT HAS TAKEN SHAPE, LEADING THE MASSES IN SUBMITTING TO THE ESTABLISHED ORDER OF ORGANIZATIONS IS A KEY PROBLEM OF DECISIVE SIGNIFICANCE. (MORE) GRANGER

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XXX OF DECISIVENSIGNIFICANCE.

(TEXT) THE CHARACTER, SCALE AND OBJECTIVES OF THE STRUGGLE MOVEMENTS IN THE SOUTHERN CITIES CLEARLY DEMONSTRATE THAT THE NGUYEN VAN THIEU REGIME, WHICH HAS BEEN STRENUOUSLY BUILT DURING MORE THAN A DECADE BY THE UNITED STATES AS AN EFFICIENT TOOL TO CARRY OUT ITS NEOCOLONIALIST POLICY, IS NOW CONFRONTED WITH AN UNPRECEDENTEDLY SERIOUS CHALLENGE. THE LACKEYS OF THE U.S. IMPERIALISTS ARE DISPUTING WITH ONE ANOTHER TO SUCH AN EXTENT THAT THEY ARE READY TO DIE FOR THEIR INTERESTS. DEPRIVED OF A POLITICAL BASIS AS SUPPORT, NGUYEN VAN THIEU AND HIS HENCHMEN ARE BEING ATTACKED FROM ALL DIRECTIONS. THEIR Foothold HAS CRUMBED TRAGICALLY.

THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE HAVE LONG BEEN AWARE OF THE NATURE OF THE THIEU REGIME AND THE FACE OF THE THIEU CLIQUE. THEY HAVE HAD MUCH EXPERIENCE IN SUFFERING FROM THE CRIMES AND TRAGEDIES WHICH THE THIEU CLIQUE HAS INFLICTED ON THE NATION AND THEMSELVES. NOW THEY ARE AGAIN SUFFERING THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE DICTATORIAL AND CORRUPT NGUYEN VAN THIEU CLIQUE'S WAR-PROLONGING POLICY. THEY ARE NOW CONFRONTED WITH AN URGENT DEMAND TO OVERTHROW THE NGUYEN VAN THIEU REGIME AND BUILD A SOUTH VIETNAM WHERE THERE WILL BE NO MORE WAR, NO DICTATORSHIP AND CORRUPTION AND WHICH WILL NOT BE DEPENDENT ON FOREIGN COUNTRIES. THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION IS CONFRONTED WITH VERY FAVORABLE CONDITIONS FOR DEVELOPING ITS FORCES AND ACCELERATING THE STRUGGLE MOVEMENT. THE STRUGGLING FORCES IN SOUTH VIETNAM ARE NOW ABLE TO JOIN THEIR ACTIONS FOR THE COMMON NATIONAL INTEREST AND WITH THE COMMON GOAL OF TOPPLING NGUYEN VAN THIEU. BY DEVELOPING THEIR STRENGTH AND OPERATING IN UNISON ON THE SAME FRONT AGAINST THIEU, THE URBAN STRUGGLE MOVEMENTS WILL CERTAINLY BECOME EVER BROADER AND LARGER.

NATURALLY, THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE ARE VIGILANT AND AWARE WHAT THE U.S. IMPERIALISTS ARE PLOTTING AND EXPECTING FROM THE PRESENT STRUGGLE MOVEMENTS IN THE CITIES IN SOUTH VIETNAM. FACED WITH THE SITUATION IN WHICH THE PEOPLE'S STRUGGLE MOVEMENT RESOLUTELY DEMANDS THE OVERTHROW OF NGUYEN VAN THIEU, AND KNOWING THAT IT IS DIFFICULT TO PREVENT HIS COLLAPSE, THE U.S. IMPERIALISTS ARE TRYING TO PARTICIPATE THE SOUTHERN MOVEMENT IN A DIRECTION SUITABLE TO THEIR REQUIREMENTS. WHAT THEY WANT IS THAT IF THEY ARE FORCED TO DO AWAY WITH THIEU, THEY WILL STILL BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN A REGIME WITHOUT THIEU TO CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT U.S. NEOCOLONIALIST POLICY. BY HAVING THEIR LACKEYS PARTICIPATE IN THE STRUGGLE MOVEMENTS, THE U.S. IMPERIALISTS HOPE THAT THEY WILL BE ABLE TO PROMOTE INFLUENCE AND SECURE POLITICAL SUPPORT FOR A NEW LACKEY CLIQUE TO CARRY OUT THEIR NEW SCHEME.

BUT THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE, WITH THEIR EXPERIENCE AND POLITICAL AWARENESS, WILL NEVER AGREE TO THESE U.S. MOVES AND WILL REFUSE TO SERVE AS A PROP FOR ANY REGIME, OR ANY GROUP OF PEOPLE, OR ANY INDIVIDUAL TO CONTINUE TO CARRY OUT THE U.S. IMPERIALISTS' SCHEMES AND POLICIES AIMED AT PROLONGING THE WAR, JEOPARDIZING PEACE AND NATIONAL CONCORD AND PERPETUATING THE DIVISION OF THE COUNTRY. PROMPTED BY THE URGENT AND EARNEST DEMANDS OF THE NATION AND OF THEMSELVES, THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE HAVE SET FORTH OBJECTIVES AND SLOGANS FOR THEIR STRUGGLE. WITH THE STRENGTH OF SOLIDARITY AND WITH LARGE FORCES, THEY WILL STRUGGLE TO THE END AND WILL CERTAINLY NOT DEVIATE FROM THEIR SET OBJECTIVES AND SLOGANS.

MOREOVER, THE MAIN, DEEP CAUSE OF THE PRESENT MOVEMENTS IN THE CITIES IS THE VICTORY OF THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION AND OF THE HEROIC SOUTHERN PEOPLE, IN WHICH THE ROLE AND FORCES OF THE PROGRSV ARE BECOMING A FACTOR DECIDING THE LIFE AND THE POLITICAL TREND IN SOUTH VIETNAM. (MORE) GRANGER 19/2122Z MAR

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(TEXT) THE U.S. IMPERIALISTS ARE PLANNING TO REPLACE THIEU WITH SOMEONE ELSE. THE QUESTION OF REPLACING THIEU HAS BECOME A DAILY TOPIC OF THE SOUTHERN URBANITES. HOWEVER, NO MATTER WHETHER THIEU IS TO BE DONE AWAY WITH, THE U.S. IMPERIALISTS WILL BE UNABLE TO SOLVE THE COMPREHENSIVE CRISIS IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND TO AVOID TRAGIC DEFEAT, IF THEY ARE UNWILLING TO LEARN FROM THEIR PAST LESSONS OF DEFEAT IN VIETNAM AND GIVE UP THEIR NEOCOLONIALIST POLICY NOW BEING SERIOUSLY BANKRUPTED.

IT MUST BE ADDED THAT NGUYEN VAN THIEU AND HIS HENCHMEN WILL NOT EASILY GIVE UP THEIR INTERESTS AND THEIR PRESENT LUCRATIVE POSITIONS. WITH THE EXISTING FASCIST, REPRESSIVE APPARATUS, THEY HAVE RUTHLESSLY OPPRESSED AND WILL OPPRESS MORE RUTHLESSLY THE OPPOSITION MOVEMENTS AND FORCES. THIS TRADITIONAL POLICY CAN CREATE TEMPORARY DIFFICULTIES TO THE STRUGGLE MOVEMENT AT A GIVEN TIME. BUT RUTHLESS REPRESSIVE ACTIVITIES ALWAYS RESULT IN CONSEQUENCES IN WHICH THE INDIGNATION AND UPRISING OF THE PEOPLE WILL BE EVER STRONGER, AND AFTER THE POPULAR MOVEMENT HAS DEVELOPED TO A HIGH DEGREE, NO FORCE CAN CHECK IT. THE QUESTION RAISED NOW FOR THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE IS TO QUICKLY STRENGTHEN AND RESOLUTELY PROTECT THE REVOLUTIONARY FORCES: TO UNITE AND BE VIGILANT AGAINST ALL ENEMY SCHEMES OF SOWING DISSENSION AMONG AND FOOING THE PEOPLE, TO ACCELERATE THE STRUGGLE TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN ATTACKING THE ENEMY ON ALL FRONTS. ONLY THEN WILL THEY WIN GREAT VICTORIES. / NO MATTER HOW STUBBORN AND PERFDIOUS THE U.S.-THIEU CLIQUE MAY BE, IT CANNOT CHECK THE STRONG DEVELOPMENT AND THE INEVITABLE VICTORY OF THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION.

THE REALITIES OF THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION FURTHER PROVE THAT THE LINE AND POLICIES OF THE NLSV AND THE PRGRSV TO ACHIEVE THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION ARE COMPLETELY CORRECT. THIS LINE AND THESE POLICIES ARE RESPONDED TO BY THE PEOPLE OF ALL STRATA IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND SYMPATHIZED WITH AND SUPPORTED BY BROAD SEGMENTS OF PEOPLE IN THE WORLD. THEY ARE ILLUMINATING THE STRONG, STEADY STEPS FORWARD OF THE SOUTHERN REVOLUTION. ALTHOUGH THE STRUGGLE OF THE SOUTHERN PEOPLE IS STILL REPLET WITH DIFFICULTIES, HARDSHIPS AND COMPLEXITIES, THE NEW DEVELOPMENTS OVER THE PAST 2 YEARS, SPECIALLY IN 1974, HAVE CREATED A STRONG AND FIRM BASIS FOR EVEN STRONGER DEVELOPMENT IN THE FUTURE. DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN

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SCRUPULOUSLY IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND ACCELERATE THE STRUGGLE ON THE MILITARY, POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC FRONTS, THE SOUTHERN PEOPLE WILL ADVANCE TOWARD ACHIEVING THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC REVOLUTIONARY CAUSE IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND TOWARD PEACEFULLY REUNIFYING THE FATHERLAND. (ENDALL) GRANGER
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